

# The Free Verse

## Final Neighborhood Mailing!

By Yissel Salafsky

We regret to inform you that the city's recent budget deficit has resulted in a large cut to the neighborhood support budget. This reduction includes the elimination of printing and mailing neighborhood postcards and newsletters. The city will no longer be able to subsidize neighborhood mailings. This will be the last mailing you can expect to receive from the PSNA until further notice.

However, you can still receive updates about what's going on in Poets' Square via our email list or simply take a stroll through the neighborhood and visit the bulletin board on the northwest corner of Catalina and Burns St. We will be posting all upcoming meetings and event notices on the board.

To sign up for the email list, please contact us at **poetssquare@gmail.com**. For those who do not have email we would gladly send notices to a friend or family member that would be willing to provide their email address for crime alerts and neighborhood meeting notices. We hope you will attend the next neighborhood association meeting on Tuesday April 13th at Peter Howell Elementary (Multipurpose bldg.) at 6:30p.m. to help us find ways to keep you informed.

### Halloween Block Party A Success

By Amy Schaller

Much thanks to our neighbors:

Dave & Yissel Salafsky

Danny & Anita Gallardo

Shauna Moreno and family

Caroline Krater & Brian Pugh

Robin and Wayne Reader

Misty & Salek Shafiqullah

John Corrin & Cynthia Jordan

Corn Man and The Coyote Band

Pat Dunkel

Rosmary Urrea

Joann Kozyrev Sunshine Koffman

Lisette Cornejo

Len Casebier

Bob & Amy Schaller

Lorraine Schwartz

The Midway Wash Project Committee and the Poets' Square Neighborhood Association Board would like to extend our appreciation to all those who helped make our 2009 Halloween Block Party a smashing success! Over 200 people and 75 households attended the event. It was wonderful to visit with neighbors, listen to live music, snack on good food, and watch kids enjoy all the festivities! A big pat on the back goes to all those who helped plan the party and volunteered their time the day of the event. We could not have had the successful event without your help!

Trees for Tucson
Technicians for Sustainability
Watershed Management Group
Ralph Watson - GlobalEco Village
Al's Ace Hardware (Broadway/Swan)
Magpies Pizza
Popcycle on 4th Avenue
Zivas Mexican Bistro
Eegee's
Chariot Pizza
Brian & Kelly's Pumpkins & Trees
Larry the Balloon Guy
Arizona Native Plant Society
Joanie Sawyer - PRO Neighborhoods
Ward 6

Please support these local businesses and organizations who

donated time and goods to the block party:

#### **PSNA**

Poets'

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#### Meeting:

04/13/10

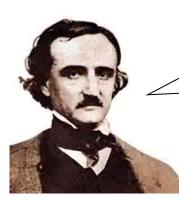
6:30 - 8:00 PM at:

Peter Howell Elementary School Multi-purpose bldg. 401 N. Irving Ave.

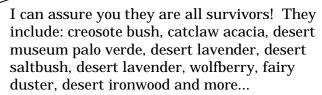
## Neighbors

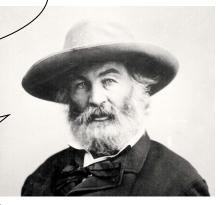
#### Needed!

Are you new to the neighborhood & looking for a way to get involved? Perhaps you are a long time member and have some ideas or issues you would like to address. We invite you to join the PSNA Board. There are various positions available, if you are interested simply call us @ 881-6018 or attend the next meeting and be the change you would like to see in the neighborhood.



Have you taken a look at the rainwater harvesting garden on the corner of Burns St. and Catalina yet? I wonder what native, low-water plants were used?





#### 2009 PSNA Completed Projects

- ☑ Midway Wash Tree plantings
- ☑ Rainwater Harvesting Garden
- oxdivNeighborhood Bulletin Board
- ☑ Halloween Block Party 2009



#### **Future Projects**

- Poets' Square Street Signs
- Halloween Block Party 2010

Most of the projects listed are ongoing. You can contribute to their success by attending a meeting, volunteering for a committee, sending a donation, or simply paying your dues.



## **Annual Dues: \$5**

Look what we did last year by working together. Your annual payment of \$5 is a great investment in our neighborhood

Dues for PSNA membership are \$5 per year. You do not have to be a member to attend meetings but membership is required for voting privileges.

Mail your check, payable to PSNA, to:

Poet's Square Neighborhood Association P.O Box 12445 Tucson, AZ 85732-2445

## Recycling The Right Way



#### By Amy Schaller

You can help conserve natural resources and extend the life of our landfills by recycling. Did you know that there is a right way to recycle? When placing materials in your blue recycling container, please recycle <u>ONLY</u> the following materials:

- 1. Newspapers & Brown paper bags
- 2. Paperboard (cereal/shoe boxes)
- 3. Milk cartons and drink boxes
- 4. Molded fiberboard
- 5. Magazines and catalogs
- 6. Phonebooks
- 7. Printing/writing paper

- 8. Mail (remove non-paper items)
- 9. Paper pamphlets, cardstock and file folders
- 10. #1 Plastic bottles
- 11.#2 Plastic bottles and jugs
- 12. Aluminum cans
- 13. Steel /tin cans (non-hazardous aerosol cans ok)
- 14. Glass food/beverage bottles/jars (lids on ok)

Please do not sort your items and do not include any other items than those listed above. Please remember to bring your recycling container to the curb when is at least half-way (or more) filled, this saves gas and reduces pollution! Recycling the right way is one easy way to practice living green!

### Keep Poets' Square Clean & Beautiful

#### By Yissel Salafsky

We receive many questions regarding neighbors not doing their part to keep the neighborhood clean or concerns about trash and debris in the alley easements. Below you will find information regarding how to handle such concerns.

The City of Tucson's Housing and Community Development Department Code Enforcement is responsible for investigating code complaints that affect the health and safety of residents, and property maintenance by enforcing a number of city regulations. Here are some examples of code compliance issues:

Junk Vehicles- Overgrown Weeds- Illegal Dumping- Excessive Storage- Vacant Structures-Abandoned Waste

If you suspect a property violation you can use any of the following methods to submit a complaint:

- Contact the code compliance center (520) 791-5843
- Submit a complaint electronically at <a href="https://www.ci.tucson.az.us/dnr/">www.ci.tucson.az.us/dnr/</a> (click on Code Enforcement)
- Fax the printable mail-in complaint form (also available online) (520) 791-2513
- Write to us at 320 N. Commerce Park Loop, Tucson AZ 85745



#### 2009 PSNA Board Members

Yissel Salafsky - Co-Chair Amy Schaller - Co-Chair/Treasurer Daniel Gallardo- Secretary

Yissel Salafsky & Amy Schaller - Editors (520) 881-6018

# This is your last mailing!

Don't Miss Important
Crime Alerts & Neighborhood Updates

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